

WTPRR

Official No. 742

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 1-27-54

WPRR (EFF: 12-26-80)

Call letters ~~XWVAM-FM~~

LOCATION: ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA

PHLYDEL COMMUNICATION CORP (APLH4-14-80, EFF 9-16-80)

XX BLAIR COUNTY BROADCASTERS, INC. (ALH 5-10-66: EFF: 6-7-66)

Name of licensee X THE GENERAL BROADCASTING CORPORATION

2727 Albert Dr., Altoona, Pa.

X Wopsononock Mountain,

~~0.4 mi. E. of Wopsononock, Pennsylvania (PH-6-30-67)~~

X 2727 Albert Drive, Altoona, Pennsylvania (BMP-11-25-53)

Transmitter location X 2801 Edgewood Drive, Altoona, Penna (CP-5-14-52)

1660 ~~Same as Transmitter~~ 2727 Albert Drive, Altoona, Pennsylvania MP 11-25-53
Main studio location X 1413 Eleventh, Avenue, Altoona, Penna. (CP-5-14-52)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BPH-1743	5-14-52	100.lmc.	140watts	U.	From 7-14-52 to 1-14-53
Class A- Channel 261- C.P. for new FM broadcast station					
BPH-4804	1-16-53	Ext. of compl.	date to		7-1-53
BPH-4831	6-24-53	Ext. compl.	date to		9-1-53
BPH-4846	1-1-54	Ext. compl.	date to		11-1-54
BPH-4854	10-14-53	Ext. of completion date to			1-31-54
BPH-4873	11-25-53	CP to change ant system		T-L & S-L	
TPO: 250w		ERP 360w Terr -345'			1-25-54 7-25-54
Wire	1-12-54	Auth. program tests pending			action on lic.
BLH-945	1-27-54	License to cover to			8-1-54 L
BRH-742	7-28-54	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			8-1-57 S
WIRE	8-30-55	Remain silent to	9-9-55	pend. repairs.	
WIRE	9-9-55	Remain silent to	10-9-55	pend. repairs	
WIRE	10-10-55	Remain silent (repairs) to	11-9-55		
BRH-742	7-25-57	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		8-1	8-1-60 S
WIRE	12-30-58	AUTHORITY REMAIN SILENT THRU	1-30-59		
	7-27-60	No action taken on application for renewal of license.			
BRH-742	9-28-60	Renewal of License		9-28	8-1-63 S
BPH-3334	5-4-61	100.lmc 360w	Unl	7-4-61	
Haat: -345 ft.		Ch. 261 TPO: 250w		1-4-62	8-1-63
CP to install new transmission line.		FORFEITED per Ltr			
BRH-742	7-29-63	Renewal of license		8-1	8-1-66 S
BALN-880	5-10-66	Voluntary assignment of license to BLAIR COUNTY BROADCASTERS, INC.			
EFF:	6-7-66				
BRH-742	7-29-66	100.lmc 360w	Unl	8-1	8-1-69
		250w			
BPH-5772	6-30-67	100.lmc. ERP: 235watts (h&v)	U	8-30-67	
HAAT: 890' (h&v)		ch# 261 TPO: 550watts		3-1-68	
CP to chg. ant-trans location; install new trans. (Gates-FM-1C); install new ant (RCA-BFC-1, 1 section)					
chg. TPO, ERP and incr. HAAT and operate by RC.					
FORFEITED	6-10-69	CP EXPIRED			

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Station location

Name of licensee

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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BMPH-9851 (1)	2-13-68	Mod. of CP(BPH-5772) for completion date to			ext. of 9-1-68.
BMPH-10,206 (2)	8-29-68	MP(BPH-5772 as mod.) ext. time to FORFEITED 6-10-69 CP expired			3-1-69
BRH-742(S)	2-19-70	RENEWAL			8-1-72
Contel	9-29-70	Aut. operate temp. trans. line and antenna pending filing. 301. trans.			12-15-70
BPH-7278 HAAT: minus 345'	10-19-70	100.1mc ERP: 360watts Ch#261 TPO: 215watts CP install new antenna, chg. TPO & HAAT.			12-19 10-19-71
BLH-5146(L) HAAT: minus 345'	7-6-71	100.1 ERP: 360w TPO: 215w Lic. (BPH-5146) for changes.			8-1-72
EBSA	5-22-72				
BRH-742(S)	4-27-73	RENEWAL			8-1-75
BTC-7800	8/28/75	Vol TC	EFF: 10/1/75		
BRH-742(S)	8-19-75	Renewal of license			8-1-78
BPH-9591 HAAT: 16.5' {H&V} {L}	6-8-76	100.1MHz ERP: 3kw {H&V} U CP chg TPO, ERP, HAAT, Trans, ant, TL {Same site}			6-8-77
1tr.	7-7-76	Trans: COLLINS 831D-2 installed			
BLH-7851(L)	7-11-79	Lic. cover CP(BPH-9591) changes. 100.1 3kw 16.5' H&V			
APLH790619	4-14-80	VOL AL. & C.P.		EFF: 9-16-80	
E B S A	12-26-80	CALL SIGN CHANGE			

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING
FM (CLASS A)

Call
Letters WVAM-FM

Name THE GENERAL BROADCASTING CORPORATION
(P. O. ~~3413~~ 11th Avenue, Altoona, Pennsylvania)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-1743 Rec'd. Filed	3-21-52 3-28-52 3-28-52	2727 Albert Drive, Construction permit for a new FM broadcast station (Class A) to be operated on Frequency: 100.1 Mcs., Channel 261 Effective Radiated Power: 0.137 kw. Antenna height above average terrain: -54 ft. T-L: 2801 Edgewood Drive, Altoona, Pennsylvania (Gates BF-250-A Max. 250 watts) S-L: 1413 Eleventh Avenue, Altoona, Penna. Dempsey & Koplovitz, Attorneys Filed by Harry J. Ockershausen, Atty.	GRANTED ERP - 140 watts	5-14-52
BMPH-4805 Recd. & Filed	12-30-52 1-5-53	Mod. of C. P. (BPH-1743 which authorized a new FM B/c station) for extension of completion date from 1-14-53 to 7-1-53 Filed by Harry J. Ockershausen	GRANTED	1-16-53
BPH-945 Recd. & Filed	12-17-53 1-14-54	License to operate FM station BPH-1743 as mod.		

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B.PH-4831 Recd&Filed	6-8-53 6-15-53	Mod. C.P. (BPH-1743 as mod. which authorized a new FM B/c station) for extension of completion date from 7-1-53 to 9-1-53. Filed by Harry J. Ockershausen, Atty.	GRANTED	6-24-53
BMPH-4846 Recd&Filed	8-21-53 8-27-53	Mod. CP (BPH-1743 as mod. which authorized a new FM B/c station) for extension of completion date from 9-1-53 to 11-1-53. Filed by Harry J. Ockershausen, Atty.	GRANTED	9-4-53
BMPH-4854 Recd&Filed	10-6-53 10-7-53	Mod. CP (BPH-1743 as mod. which authorized a new FM B/c station) for extension of completion date from 11-1-53 to 1-1-54. Filed by Harry J. Ockershausen, Atty.	GRANTED	10-14-53
BMPH-4873 Recd. & Filed	10-31-53 11-3-53	Mod. of C. P. (BPH-1743 as modified, which authorized a new FM B/c. station) to change ERP to .405 kw; ant. ht. above average terr; -344 ft. P-L & S-L to 2727 Albert Drive, Altoona, Pennsylvania & change antenna system. Filed by Harry Ockershausen, atty	GRANTED	11-25-53

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ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-945 Recd. & filed 1-4-54	12-15-53	License to cover C. P. (BPH-1743 as mod)	GRANTED	1-27-54
BRH-742 Recd. & Filed	4-28-54	Renewal of license	GRANTED	7-28-54
BRH-742 Rec'd Filed	5-11-54 5-21-57 5-27-57 5-27-57	Harry J. Ockershausen, atty Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-25-57
BRH-742 Rec'd Filed	7-19-60 7-27-60 7-27-60	Renewal of license	GRANTED	9-28-60
BPH-3334 Rec'd & Filed	3-22-61 3-30-61	Construction permit to install new transmission line.	GRANTED Forfeited per 1st 8-1-62	5-4-61
BRH-742 R & F	4-28-63 4-29-63	Renewal of license Atty. John B. Southmayd	GRANTED	7-29-63
BAIH-880 R & F	3-28-66 3-28-66	Voluntary assignment of license to BLAIR COUNTY BROADCASTERS, INC. Atty - for assignee - John Southmayd	GRANTED KFF:	5-10-66 6-7-66

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BLAIR COUNTY BROADCASTERS, INC.
 Name ☒ THE GENERAL BROADCASTING CORPORATION
Altoona, Penna.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-742 R & F	4-19-66 4-19-66	Renewal of license Atty - John P. Southmayd	GRANTED	7-29-66
AMENDED R & F	6-15-66 6-29-66	AMENDED to change name of applicant to Blair County Broadcasters, Inc.		
BPB-5772 REC'D FILED	3-3-67 3-6-67 3-31-67	CP to chg. ant-trans. location to 0.4 mile East of Wopsononock, <u>Blair County</u> , Pennsylvania; operate trans by RC from studio location; install new type trans (Gates-FM-1C); install new type ant. (RCA-BFC-1, 1 section); chg. TPO to 0.504kw; chg. ERP to 0.234kw(h&v) and incr. HAAT to 889 feet. Attys - Alk and <u>Lubic</u> Engr.: Raymond E. Rohrer & Associates 317 Wyatt Building Washington, D. C.	GRANTED	6-30-67

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Name BLAIR COUNTY BROADCASTERS, INC.
ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPH-9851 R & F FEB 9 1968	1-24-68 1-25-68	Mod. of CP(BPH-5772 which authorized chg. ant- trans location; operate by RC from studio location; install new trans; install new ant; chg. TPO; ERP and HAAT) for extension of comple- tion date from 3-1-68 to 9-1-68. Attys - Alk and <u>Lubic</u>	GRANTED to	2-13-68 9-1-68
BMPH-10,206 R & F #448007 \$30 AUG 23 1968	7-26-68 7-31-68 7-31-68	NP(BPH-5772 as mod.) ext. time to 3-1-69 (FOR CHANGES). Attys - <u>Alk</u> and <u>Lubic</u> FORFEITED 6-10-69 CP EXPIRED	GRANTED to	8-29-68 3-1-69
BRH-742 R & F #510912 \$75. PRESS JUN 4	4-30-69 5-1-69 5-1-69 1969	Renewal of license Atty-Alk & <u>Lubic</u> AMENDED 6-9-69 re: Engineering statement AMENDED 8-18-69 re: Programming AMENDED 8-20-69 re: financial statement	GRANTED	2-19-70

Ack. card 6-3-69 re: Sect. II, para. 11 not answered

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100.1 MHz

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Name Blair County Broadcasters, Inc.
Altoona, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-7278 R & F #634797 \$50 CODE: 061 PRESS: OCT 16 1970	10-5-70 10-6-70 10-6-70	CP to install new Antenna(Shively-CCA-Electronics-6602, 2 sections) chg. TPO: .2141Watts; & chg. HAAT: 334 ft. Atty - Alk & Lubic(Isadore G. Alk)	GRANTED	10-19-70
BLH-5146 R & F FM 010785\$50. AC-068 PTA PRESS JUL 1 1971	6-3-71 6-9-71 6-9-71 6-18-71	Lic.(BPH-7278) for changes. Atty: Alk & <u>Lubic</u>	GRANTED	7-6-71
BRH-742 R & F PN Recd. PRESS APR 28 1972	4-20-72 4-24-72 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 10-10-72 re: engineering data	GRANTED	4-27-73

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Name **BLAIR COUNTY BROADCASTERS, INC.**
ALTOONA, PENNSYLVANIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
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BRH-742	3-20-75	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED Leaders	8-19-75
R & F	3-27-75	AMENDED 8-7-75 re: business interests, comm. survey & EEO		
PN Recd. PRESS	" 24 APR 1975			

BTC-7800	6-5-75	Voluntary transfer of control of lic corp from	GRANTED	8/28/75
R ec'd	6-16-75	Randolph Burdsall to Randolph Burdsall and	EFF:	10/1/75
FEE PD:\$50 #40276		Denny J. Bixler (50% each)	no fee req	
CODE 049(FORM 316)				
ALSO SEE AM		Atty - Alk & Lubic		
FILED	7-7-75	See AM for amendments		
(SEE AM FOR ADD'L FEE PD:)				
18 JUL 1975				

F. C. C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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September 1969

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Name **Blair County Broadcasters, Inc.**
Altoona, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPH-9591	7-31-75	CP to chg. TL (Same Site); install new trans. (Gates FM-2.5H3); install new ant. (Gates FMC-4A, 4 sects. (H&V); make chg. ant. system (incr. hght.); chg. TPO; ERP: 3.0KW (H&V) and HAAT: minus 63.5' - (H&V) - 40° 29' 42" - 78° 24' 06"	GRANTED	6-8-76
Rec'd	8-21-75		COND'L	
#467279 \$200	8-22-75		gr fee	req \$1,350.00
Filed	9-19-75			
#504583 \$100	12-4-75		Pd 002	7-9-76
REFUNDED \$100.00			W589597	
Press	JAN 9 1976	Atty: Robert Bennett Lubin		
P. N. Rec'd				
AMENDED	9-18-75	Engineering Exhibit.		
AMENDED	3-26-76	Make chg. ant. system and chg. HAAT: 16.5' (H&V).		
Press	MAY 3 1976			
BRH-742	3-16-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE		
R & F	3-30-78		Designated for Hearing	
PRESS	APR 24 1978	R.B. Lubic, Atty.	Win.	08 AUG 1978
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May 1978

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

PHYDEL COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

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Letters W V A M-FMName ~~XXX~~ BLAIR COUNTY BROADCASTERS, INC.
Altoona, Pennsylvania

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-7851 PTA: PRESS:	2-1-79 MAY 21 1979	License to cover (BPH-9591) FOR CHANGES Atty: Robert L. Olender	GRANTED Condl. re action on pend. renewal.	7-11-79
BAPLH 790619ER FORM 314 (ALSO SEE AM) PRESS: JUL 5 1979		Vol assignment of license and CP(BPH-9591 - change site, ERP, HAAT etc) to PHYDEL COMMUNICA- TIONS CORP.	granted EFF:	4-14-80 9-16-80
PN FILED	11-23-79	Atty for assignment - Schwartz & Woods for assignment - R.L. Olender		
BRH810401ZZ PRESS JUN 23 1981		Renewal of License Atty.: Lawrence M. Miller	<i>efv</i> 7-17-81 ISSUED	

AMENDED BAPLH790619ER 8-12-80 re: Further extension to
consummate.

About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

